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In re Application of	:	
Piechowiak et al	:	
Application No. 10/730,742	:	ON PETITION
Filed: December 8, 2003	:	
Attorney Docket No. 82986	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 13, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is not a final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)¹ must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply,² unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by

¹ As amended effective December 1, 1997. See Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final Rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53194-95 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 119-20 (October 21, 1997).

² In a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application. In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof.

37 CFR 1.137(c). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Commissioner may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(c) and (D). The instant petition lacks item(s) (1).

Petitioner did not fully comply with the required item(s) in the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application mailed March 10, 2004. Namely, a substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3), and 1.125, and replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121.

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